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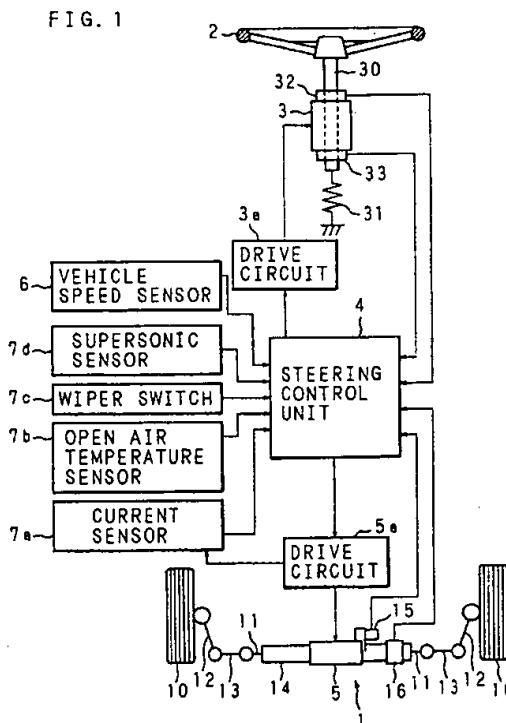
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(54) Steering system for automobile

(57) A reaction force actuator 3 for giving reaction force to a steering wheel 2 disengaged from a steering mechanism 1 is provided. A steering control unit 4 is provided to control so that the reaction force decided in accordance with the detected results of the running speed by a vehicle speed sensor 6 and the detected results of a road surface condition by a current sensor 7a, an open air temperature sensor 7b, a wiper switch 7c and a supersonic wave sensor 7d. Also, the steering motor 5 for applying the steering force to the steering mechanism 1 is operated smaller at higher speed and larger at slower speed at running by the operation of the steering control unit 4 in accordance with the detected results of the running speed by the vehicle speed sensor 6. Therefore, the same steering feelings as those of the coupling type steering system are obtained to realize a steering system enabling the reliable steering operation to effect under the various different running conditions. Also, the bother of the steering operation at the slow speed or at the stop time is dissolved by simple construction.



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